



Junior/Senior League Spring 2018

Dilworth Junior/Senior League Mission:

Welcome to Dilworth's Junior and Senior League, which provides youth between the ages of 13 and 16 an opportunity to continue playing baseball on a full-sized field with their friends in a fun, competitive, and structured environment.

League Overview:

All of our home games and practices are held at Sedgefield Middle School, using a full-sized 90-foot diamond with a pitching distance of 60 feet, 6 inches. Our away games are played at various sites around the city and surrounding areas. At the end of the spring season, Dilworth Little League will choose an All Stars team within each of the divisions. Like the 12-year old division of Little League, the Junior and Senior League tournaments begin with a District 3 tournament followed by state and regional tournaments and end with the World Series, featuring teams from around the world.

Additionally, based on interest levels, we will field a Tournament Team for 13U and 14U players. Similar to a Challenge or Travel team, Dilworth's Tournament Team, called the Dilworth Blue Jays will play tournaments before and after the season, including a trip to the Cal Ripken Experience in Myrtle Beach. Please connect with Jay Brietz for more information on the Tournament Team.

Below is a snapshot of each of the Divisions (*note: all dates in the table below are tentative*):

Divisions	Junior	Seniors	Tournament
Age (see below)	13s and 14s	15s and 16s	13U and 14U
Player Evaluations and Tryouts	Fall season - none; Spring Evaluations/ Tryouts – April 8 and 14	Fall season - none; Spring Evaluations/ Tryouts - April 8 and 14	Spring Tryouts – January 13-14 and January 20-21
Team Size	11-13 players per team	11-13 players per team	11-13 players per team
Pre-Season Practices	2-4 practices/week Fall - starts in Sept. Spring - starts in April	2-4 practices/week Fall - starts in Sept. Spring - starts in April	2 per week (in-season) 1 per week (off-season)
In-Season Practices	1 per week	1 per week	2 per week
Season (Games)	Fall: Sept. 16-Nov. 5 Spring: May 5-Jun. 16 All-Stars: Jun. 23-29	Fall: Sept. 16-Nov. 5 Spring: May 5-Jun. 16 All-Stars: Jun. 23-29	Year-round
Registration Deadline	Fall: August 25 th Spring: March 31 st	Fall: August 25 th Spring: March 31 st	N/A

Ability/Experience/Tryouts:

The Junior and Senior League is typically for players that are serious about baseball and team sports and want to continue to play baseball without the commitment of travel baseball. For the spring, there is a higher expected commitment level. Players that play for their school teams are welcome join as our spring games begin once the school season ends. We will have tryouts in early April to help determine the teams. If necessary, we will make cuts by mid-April to ensure team sizes are appropriate.



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Game Details:

Seven (7) inning games with a 10 run “mercy” rule after 5 innings. Little League pitching count rules are applicable.

Bat Details:

Starting in the spring of 2018, Little League will follow the USA bat standards. The following link will provide you more information on the new standards and which bat is right for your son - <http://www.littleleague.org/learn/equipment/baseballbatinfo.htm>. Please note that there are different standards between the Junior League and Senior League. Bats that are legal in the Junior League are not legal in the Senior League (and vice-versa). The new bats are now available. Please make sure that the bat is properly marked with the USA Bat stamp as described in the link above. We are planning to purchase a couple of “team” bats for each team this season.

Age Determination:

Several years ago, Little League changed the birthday cutoff used to determine a boy’s “Baseball Age” from April 30th to August 31st. However, Little League did not want this change to cost a player a year of eligibility for the Majors division. As a result, these age requirements go into effect starting this year. The 2018 age chart (shown here) should help you determine your son’s Baseball Age.

To play in the **Junior League** this spring your son will need to be born September 1, 2013 or after.

To play in the **Senior League** this spring your son will need to be born September 1, 2001 or after.

Questions:

If you have any questions, please reach out to Dilworth Little League’s Jr./Sr. League Commissioner – Jay Brietz at 704-996-4655 (cell) or (jaybrietz@gmail.com).

2018 Little League Age Chart FOR BASEBALL DIVISION ONLY

Match month (top line) and box with year of birth. League age indicated at right.

JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	AGE
2014	2014	2014	2014	2014	2014	2014	2014	2013	2013	2013	2013	4
2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2012	2012	2012	2012	5
2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2011	2011	2011	2011	6
2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2010	2010	2010	2010	7
2010	2010	2010	2010	2010	2010	2010	2010	2009	2009	2009	2009	8
2009	2009	2009	2009	2009	2009	2009	2009	2008	2008	2008	2008	9
2008	2008	2008	2008	2008	2008	2008	2008	2007	2007	2007	2007	10
2007	2007	2007	2007	2007	2007	2007	2007	2006	2006	2006	2006	11
2006	2006	2006	2006	2006	2006	2006	2006	2005	2005	2005	2005	12
				2005	2005	2005	2005					12
2005	2005	2005	2005					2004	2004	2004	2004	13
2004	2004	2004	2004	2004	2004	2004	2004	2003	2003	2003	2003	14
2003	2003	2003	2003	2003	2003	2003	2003	2002	2002	2002	2002	15
2002	2002	2002	2002	2002	2002	2002	2002	2001	2001	2001	2001	16

Note: This age chart is for **BASEBALL DIVISIONS ONLY**, and only for 2018.